City Council Proceedings.

Council Chamber, 25th June, 1877.

The Board of Aldermen met in the Council Chamber to-night, His Worship Mayor Pritchard in the chair, and the following members present: Campbell, Gray, Fitzgerald, Jones, Regan, Hiscox, Ross, Brown, Christie, Egan, Partridge, sr., Partridge, jr., McNab, Boyd, Minhinnick, Sutherland.

His Worship asked members to be more prompt in attendance in future, it being eight o'clock before a quorum was present.

The minutes of previous meeting were read.

Ald. Campbell moved, seconded by Ald. Jones, that "indefinitely" be struck out of last resolution of 4th June, and these words substituted, "until the water works by-law be submitted." Carried.

The minutes were then signed.

Communications were read—

From the Clerk of the County of Middlesex, enclosing a resolution empowering a committee of their Council to act with the City Council in adjusting the dispute about Court House and jail repairs; referred to Board of Works, with power; also informing the Council that a Committee had been appointed to act with the city in regard to repairing Adelaide street. Referred to Finance and Assessment and Board of Works with power.

From E. Perrault, Sec. of Canadian Centennial Commissioners, informing the Council that the Photographic views sent by London to the Exhibition were on view at the Permanent Exhibition in Philadelphia. On motion the frame and photos were donated to the Exhibition.

From Mrs. A. Newcombe, inviting the Board to be present at the dedication of the Protestant Orphans' Home this evening. Received and acknowledged with thanks.

From Henry Gray, asking the free use of the City Hall for the evening of the 4th and 5th of July for a musical entertainment in behalf of the R. C. Orphanage. Granted.

From T. Luscombe, for the use of the City Hall at an early day for a free lecture by Rev. Josiah Henson, on behalf of the Y. M. C. of E. A. Granted.

From J. D. Raymond, on behalf of Orange Young Britons, requesting the use of a building on the Exhibition Grounds for band practice. Referred to Exhibition Committee.

From T. E. Lawson, claiming a sum of money, on behalf of Dr. Morden, for damages done to his cutter last winter. Referred to Board of Works with power.

From F. Rowland, asking the free use of the City Hall for Tuesday evening, 26th, for a temperance meeting, under the auspices of Dominion Temperance Alliance. Granted.

Accounts were received from M. D. Dawson & Co., printing, $58.91, and Plummer & Son, for wood and water for Fire Department, $13.25, which were referred to the Finance Committee.

From H. C. R. Becher, Esq., Q.C., and James Clancy, petitioning to have Great Talbot and Cheapside streets closed. The petition was supported by a number of residents of the vicinity.

On motion H. C. R. Becher, Esq., was heard before the Council. He had heard of no opposition whatever to the closing of the street; as it was it was perfectly useless as a highway. Since he had lived in the vicinity some 70 or 90 feet had been carried away. He wished it to be distinctly understood that he wanted to do nothing that was unreasonable.

The petitions were then referred to the Board of Works.

Ald. Campbell, Chairman, submitted the following report from the Finance Committee:

Your Finance Committee beg to report that they had an interview with a deputation from the County Council during its last session, consisting of the Warden, Messrs. Armstrng, Lane, Curry, Watterworth and McKellar, relating to the improvements required to be done on the county jail.

Mr. Armstrong submitted a communication from the Local Government about said repairs, and proposed to your Committee that if the Council pay fifty per cent. of the necessary expences, that the balance will be paid by the County Council.

Your Committee, after carefully con-

sidering the matter, and having obtained the solicitor's advice thereon, would respectfully recommend that we ac ept the offer made by the deputation, and agree to pay one-half of the cost of said repairs, the plans and specifications of the same to be submitted to and approved of by the Local Government before the work proceeds.

Your Committee would ask to be empowered to act with the committe appointed by the County Council in the matter

Received and adopted.

Ald. Egan, Chairman, reported as follows from the Fire Water and Gas Committee :

Your Committee passed the following accounts, and recommend their payment as follows : Henry Odell, $5; B. Burch, $10 50; L. Brown, $3; T. Burch, $10; Pay Sheet for May, Fire Brigade, $247.-65; A. Bodkin,oats,$34 50 ;total,$310 65.

Also report progress on water-works.

The claim of Chas. Knapp for payment of a reward of $200 for the apprehension and conviction of George Walters, on a charge of arson. The City Solicitor's opinion is that such claim cannot be sustained.

Received and adopted.

Ald. Gray, chairman, submitted the following report from the Board of Health:

1st. The communication from Dr. Playter requesting the purchase of a Sanitory Journal, your committee recommend no action.

2nd. Your committee recommend the thorough cleansing and repairing of the small-pox hospital, as it is not at present in a proper condition to receive patients. Received and adopted.

Ald. Hiscox, chairman, submitted the following report from the Hospital Relief Committee:

1st. That having received tenders for drugs and medicines, your committee have accepted the tender of Mr. McCallum, his being by far the lowest.

2nd. Your committee report that having examined the Hospital Steward's report for the month of May, ordered it to be fyled for reference.

3rd. The report of the Relief Inspector for the month of May, amounting to $63.26 cash, and two and one-half cords of wood, was adopted, and distributed as follows:

	Cash.	Wood.
Ward No. 1.....	$ 3 25	½ cord
" 2.....	16 50	
" 3.....	9 50	1 "
" 4.....	2 50	½ "
" 5.....	5 00	"
" 6.....	17 51	½ "
" 7.....	8 00	
	$63 26	2½

4th. Your committee would recommend the following accounts for payment: Sanborn Bros., potatoes, $4 20; McCracken, potatoes, $15 75; Pratt, work, $10.00; Women work, scrubbing, etc., $7.88; Tytler & Rose, groceries, $107.12; Powell & Co., meat,$63.36; Smith,bread, $36.03; Mrs. Woodward, milk, $21.08; Servants' wages (month May) $46.50; Pontey & Taylor, trees for garden, $14.20; Stewart, goods, $1.85; Sloan, coal, $15.05; Cameron & Co., papers, $5.00; Strong & Rosser, drugs, $43.18; Burch, straw, $10 50; Walker & Sons. dry goods, $33.13. Total, $434.83.

Received and adopted.

Ald. Sutherland, chairman, reported as under from the Park Committee:

Petitions of Geo. Dayton and others, laid over.

In reference to the amount for tank and force pump on Park, your committee recommend the matter be left to the consideration of the Council, amount $175.

Ald. Partridge, jr., moved, seconded by Ald. Fitzgerald, that the tank account be referred back to committee.

Ald. Campbell moved in amendment, seconded by Ald. Ross, that the 2nd clause be referred to the Finance Committee for payment, subject to the valuation and approval of the Engineer.

The amendment passed.

Ald. Gray, gives notice that he will move at next meeting of Council that the chairman of the Park Committee be requested to have a gas lamp erected on the Band Stand in the Park as soon as possible.

Ald. Christie drew attention to the loose, careless manner in which stovepipes were made use of in back kitchens and other places throughout the city.

At the suggestion of Ald. Christie, the Chief Engineer was instructed to make a tour of the city and report on the same.

The Council adjoined for two weeks.

City Council Proceedings.

Council Chamber, 9th July, 1877.

The Board of Aldermen met at the usual time and place, His Worship Mayor Pritchard in the chair and the following members present: Aldermen Sutherland, Campbell, Gray, Murray, Jones, Regan, Ross, McNab, Brown, Rapley, Christie, Boyd, Egan, Partridge, sr., Partridge, jr., Fitzgerald, Thompson, Hiscox.

The minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

A communication was read from Mrs. Mary Donnelly, asking for remission of taxes. Referred to Finance and Assessment Committee.

Also from Mr. H. C. R. Becher, Q. C., in reference to the sale of certain streets in the northern part of the city.

An account from J. B. Smyth, $8.61, was referred to the Finance Committee. Another, from the City Gas Co., $1,757.-25, was referred to the Fire, Water and Gas Committee.

Ald. Campbell, Chairman, submitted the following report from the Finance Committee :

Your Finance Committee beg to report: That they have examined the following accounts, and would recommend the same to be paid : Pay sheet for city officials, $3,327.50; Board of Health account, $12.60; Police Station account, $22.25; Relief account, $40 80; Incidental expenses, $22; Fire Department, $925 50; Fire Department, $272 50; Hospital account for May, $447.33; Hospital account for June, $389.91; Waterworks—expenses of deputation to Brantford, Hamilton, Sarnia, Port Huron, Detroit and Windsor, $130; Registry office seal, $14 50; Laing & McPherson, account for police clothing, $141.72; Charles Chapman, account, $75 20; Reid & Anderson, account, $24 45; Plummer & Son, account, $13 25; A. S. Abbott, city directory, $2.50; M.D. Dawson, account, $24 94; R. Mawhinney, grant from Court of Revision, $5; James Durand's account, $10. Total. $5,901.95.

In the matter of broken fronts to be sold Mr. Joyce, as ordered by this Council, at the assessors' valuation, your committee would report that the assessors have valued the property at $250, and would recommend that this Council order a deed to be prepared in accordance with the said valuation, and that five years be given to Mr. Joyce to pay the same.

On motion the report was taken up clause by clause and adopted.

Ald. Hiscox, chairman, presented the following report from the Hospital and Relief Committee:

1st. That having examined the following accounts, would recommend them to the Finance Committee for payment, viz : James Cowan, hardware, $21.21; John Millar, coal oil, &c., $22 71; Hinton & Portwood, interments, $27; James Griffin, flowers, &c., $2.30; Strong & Rosser, balance on May account, $5.59; James Brock, fish, $12 65; Grant's servants' wages for June, $50; J. B. Smith, bread, $33.50; Mrs. Woodward, milk, $20 40; Powell & Co., meat, $63 33; Tytler & Rose, groceries, $115 22; Hinton & Portwood, interments, $15; John Carroll, sharpening saws, $1—total, $389.91.

2nd. Your committee would recommend the adoption of the Relief Inspector's report for the month of June,showing the distribution of $50.75 cash and cords of wood to the poor of the following wards: Ward No. 1, $1; Ward No. 2, $13; Ward No. 3, $12 25 and 1½ cords wood; Ward No. 4, 50c.; Ward No. 5, $3; Ward No. 6, $14 and ½ cord of wood; Ward No. 7, $7; total, $50 75 cash and 2 cords of wood.

3rd. Your Committee would recommend the adoption of the Hospital Steward's quarterly and monthly report, it being examined by your Committee and filed for reference.

4th. Your Committee would ask that the sum of $200 be placed to their credit.

Received and adopted.

Ald. Partridge, sr., submitted the following report from the Board of Works:

1. The application of H. R. C. Becher, Esq., relative to the closing up Cheapside and Great Talbot streets, referred to the Board of Works by the Council, was taken up, and discussing the matter, after hearing the report of the Engineer, and Mr. Becher having amended his offer therewith, it was moved and seconded that the same be accepted by this Council, recommending the passage of a by-law so amended.

2. The matter came up regarding closing or fencing lumber yards within the city limits for the better protection of the city. Moved and seconded that all lumber yards within the city limits be enclosed with a strong picket fence and gates not less than eight feet in height, and recommend the Council to pass a by-law in accordance with the above resolution.

Received and adopted.

The by-law referred to in the first clause was then read a first, second and third time and finally passed.

Ald. Sutherland, Chairman, presented the following report from the Park Committee:

We beg leave to ask that a gas lamp be placed on the Park at, or near, the Band Stand on Bond Street, and that the same be referred to the Chairman of Fire, Water and Gas with power. Your Committee find that considerable damage is done to trees and other property on Park and Exhibition Grounds, and would recommend a reward of five dollars be offered for such information as will lead to the conviction of the guilty party or parties.

Received and adopted.

Ald. Egan, chairman, submitted the following report from the Fire, Water and Gas Committee:

Your Committee were authorized by resolution of Council to prepare a cheap and efficient scheme for water works, that would meet present necessities, and be acceptable to the ratepayers. To accomplish this it was found that much information had to be obtained owing to the changes in values, &c., which time and circumstances have wrought since the scheme was submitted two and a half years ago, but which was thought too expensive. For this the works at Hamilton, Brantford, St. Catharines, Sarnia, Port Huron, Detroit and Windsor were visited, and condition and working of each practically and thoroughly investigated and minutely recorded, and which will be of invaluable service in the construction of works in London. Your Committee deem it at this time unnecessary to enlarge upon the benefits realized wherever water works are established, but assume that the people of London are fully convinced that further delay on the part of the Council in the matter would be esteemed by all concerned in the welfare and protection of the city as little else than criminal. The question of cost, so far as providing for the interest on the principal, has also been carefully considered, and which will be fully gone into when detail becomes a subject for discussion in the Council. Your Committee submit the report of the City Engineer, showing cost in detail, and the boundaries of the scheme.

Following is the City Engineer's report:

I beg leave to submit, as ordered by the Committee, an estimate of the probable cost of constructing 18½ miles of piping, engine house and duplicate engines and boilers, one hundred hydrants and one hundred and fifteen valves for waterworks for the city of London. The engine house and pumping apparatus to be built at the west end of Dundas street, and the water supply to be taken from the north branch of the River Thames; sufficiently far north to get the sole supply from that branch. If necessary a filter of small size may be constructed to remove any floating particles that might be injurious to the valves of the pumps. As my instructions were merely to submit an estimate of the probable cost, I confine myself to give, in detail, the name of the streets and the length of pipe to be laid down along each, the size of pipes and where located; the weight of iron and lead; the cost of machinery and boiler and engine house, and the number of valves and hydrants, &c., &c., as specified below: 3,168 feet of pipe, 16 inch. diam., $6,764; 4,488 lbs. of soft bar lead for do., $292; 2,376 ft. of pipe, 12 inch. diam., $3,327; 2,376 lbs. of lead for do., $155; 1,386 ft. of 10-inch pipe, $1,553; 1,276 lbs. of lead, $83; 44,159 ft. of pipe, 8 inch diam., $42,503; 33,120 lbs. of lead, $2,153; 44,088 ft. of pipe, 6 inch diam., $23,141; 27,555 lbs. of lead, $1,791; laying down pipes and leading, including fixing valves, and hydrants and filling. $17,455; duplicate engines, two pumps each, capable of distributing 2,000,000 each daily, including engine house, &c., and filter, $22,000; 2,000 feet of service pipe to hydrants, $1,650; 2,970 lbs. of lead, $294; Allowance of pipe joints, being deduction for length, $1,566; 114 gates or valves, $4,026; 100 hydrants, $3,800; brick and cast iron covers, &c., $1,500; distributing pipe, (2,239 tons) $1,680—$135,133. Add for contingencies, contractors' profit, and other necessary expenses 10 per cent., $13,513 30—Total approximate expenditure, $148,646 30; if extended to Grosvenor street and east to Waterloo from Talbot street, $166,946 00; if extended to Coombs', $246,046 00.

N. B.—Price of land and right of way not included.

Extent of water works—

The pumping engines to be placed near the west end of Dundas street, a 16-inch diameter pipe to extend from the works to a short distance past Wellington street, a 12-inch pipe to Maitland street, and a 3-inch pipe to Adelaide street; 10-inch diameter pipes are laid down on Horton, Bathurst, King and Market streets, and on Carling, Fullerton, Maple, Kent, Albert and Litchfield streets; 8-inch diameter pipes on all the north and south streets, between Ridout and Adelaide streets, that is extending north and south of Dundas street; 115 stop gates and 100 hydrants are included in the estimate, and pumping engines already specified in the estimate.

Estimate land or right of way not included. From Coombs' to Adelaide street 13,860 feet, 18 inch pipe, from Coombs' to Ridout street, on York, lead pipe and labor, $50,000; 6,996 feet on York street, and from Ridout to Adelaide of 16-inch pipe, $22,000—$72,000; contingencies of extra machinery, $8,000; total sum, $80,000.

The following are the quantities of piping extended to Grosvenor street, and about 2½ miles extra of pipe: 3,564 feet of 8 inch on Richmond street, from Great Market to Grosvenor streets. 1,914 feet of 8 inch on Talbot street, from Litchfield to Oxford streets 1,254 feet of 6 inch on Oxford, from Talbot to Richmond streets. 1,452 feet of 8 inch on Grosvenor street, from Richmond to Waterloo streets. 3,564 feet of 8 inch on Waterloo sreet, from Grosvenor to Great Market streets. 1,518 feet on St. James, between Richmond and Waterloo streets.

Total cost north of Great Market, $18,300.

After some unimportant discussion—

Ald. Campbell moved, seconded by Ald. Jones, that the report of the Fire, Water and Gas Committee be laid over for consideration until next Monday night, and that the chairman have a by-law prepared in consonance with the report Carried.

Ald. McNab, chairman of the Special Committee on the procurement of a Pound, presented a report recommending that the limits of the city to the north be Great St. James street, the south, the river, to the east, Colborne street, and to the west, the river Thames.

Ald. Hiscox moved in amendment to the report that Oxford street be the northern boundary line. Lost.

Two or three amendments were then moved, the one by Ald. Brown to make the easterly limit Adelaide street, being lost, and the adoption of the report was subsequently carried on the following division:

YEAS.—Campbell, Gray, Sutherland, Fitzgerald, Murray, Jones, Regan, Hiscox, McNab.

NAYS.—Ross, Browne, Rapley, Christie, Boyd, Egan, Partridge, sen. and jun.

On motion of Ald. Campbell, the Chairman of the Pound Committee was empowered to prepare a by-law in conformity with the report passed.

Council adjourned for two weeks.

REPORT

OF THE

Special Committee on Pounds.

Council Chamber, 16th July, 1877.

Following is the report of the special committee (appointed by the City Council) to restrain cows, etc., running at large, submitted and adopted at the last meeting of the Board of Aldermen:

To the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of London:

GENTLEMEN,— Your Committee beg leave to recommend:

1. That there shall be appointed for the City of London one or more pound-keepers as this Council may consider necessary.

2. That there shall be provided within the City of London one or more sufficient yards, or enclosures, for the safe-keeping of such animals as it may be the duty of the pound-keeper to impound.

3. That any horses, horned or other cattle, sheep, swine, geese or goats found running at large, within the limits of the City of London, bounded on the north by St. James' street, on the south and west by the River Thames, and on the east by Maitland street, shall be liable to be impounded and held subject, when no damage has been sustained, to the payment of a fine of 50c for each animal so impounded, besides poundage fees, one-half of the fine going to the persons driving them to the pound.

4. That any horses, horned or other cattle, sheep, swine, geese or goats found trespassing on any garden or other premises, within the City of London, shall be held liable to be impounded and for all damage sustained.

5. That no swine, stallions, bulls, boars, goats or rams shall henceforth be permitted to run at large within the limits of the City, and any person impounding, or causing to be impounded, any stallion, bull, boar or ram, found so running at large, shall, on sale, be entitled to receive of the pound-keeper the sum of $1 for each animal, provided the animal so impounded be sold for $1 over and above the pound-keeper's fees.

6. That no person having charge of any stallion shall expose him within the limits of the city in an indecent manner.

7. That no person or persons shall rescue, or attempt to rescue, any horses, horned cattle, goats, sheep or other animals or poultry impounded or being taken to be impounded.

8 That the following shall be the pound-keeper's lawful fees and charges, and no more shall be taken for the services and feeding before mentioned:

For impounding bulls and stallions a year old and over	$1 00
For impounding boars, rams and horses, each	50
For impounding horned and other cattle, each	50
For keeping and feeding same per day each	20
For impounding young cattle under 2 years old, each	25
For feeding same per day each	15
For impounding goats, sheep and swine, each	25
For feeding same per day, each	10
For impounding geese, each	10
For feeding same per day, each	2
For advertising actual disbursements	
For crying and selling on each complaint	50

Rates of feeding: Horses and horned cattle, each, 16 lbs. of hay per day; young cattle, each, per day, 10 lbs. of hay; sheep, each, per day, 2½ lbs. of hay; swine and goats, one quart of peas or corn each per day; geese, ½ pint peas or corn per day each; also as much water as the said animals and poultry, or any of them, shall require to drink.

And your Committee further beg leave to recommend that a by-law be prepared and passed by this Council embodying the above provisions.

Your obedient servant,

GEO. MCNAB,
Chairman.

City Council Proceedings.

Council Chamber 16th July, 1877.

A special meeting of the Board of Aldermen was held at the usual time and place last night, to discuss the question of water-works. Present—His Worship Mayor Pritchard (in the chair) and the following members : Aldermen Sutherland, Campbell, Gray, Fitzgerald, Thompson, Murray, Jones, Minhinnick, Hiscox, Ross, McNab, Brown, Christie, Egan, Partridge, sr., Partridge, jr., Boyd, Ranley, Williams.

On motion of Ald. Sutherland, seconded by Ald. Campbell, His Worship vacated the chair, Ald. Partridge, jr., taking his place.

Ald. Sutherland drew attention to certain letters that had appeared in the public press reflecting on the chief magistrate and other officials. Several rumors were now current on the streets relating to the matter—the letters of Mr. Attwood touching the non-forwarding of the resolutions in reference to the Sunday train affair to the G. W. R. authorities. Ald. Sutherland thought it was time the matter was sifted, and the Mayor and officials vindicated or censured.

His Worship reiterated what he had stated in his letters, and further said he had been told that a certain Alderman should have said he was in the Clerk's office when the resolutions were handed him (the Mayor). This His Worship stoutly denied, and expressed the doubt as to whether any such Alderman had uttered such a statement.

Several members asked for the name, but His Worship refused, for the present, to give it.

Ald. Campbell spoke at some length in vindication of the Mayor, contending that he and the City Clerk should be held blameless.

Mr. Abbott (City Clerk) said he had no remembrance of having received any such documents as that referred to from Mr. Attwood or any one else.

After some further discussion,

Ald. Campbell moved, seconded by Ald. Murray, that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be exonerated from all blame in this matter. Carried.

Ald. Egan then read by-laws in blank, relating to the construction of water works and the issue of debentures therefor.

Ald. Campbell moved, seconded by Ald. Gray, that the report be amended by striking out "six inch pipes east and west," and extending pipes north as far as Grosvenor street and south as far as South street, and that the report as amended be adopted. Carried.

Ald. Williams moved in amendment, seconded by Ald. Christie, that the question be postponed for a week. Lost.

Some time was then occupied in filling in the dates for polling and submitting the by-law to the people, after which the time was extended at eleven o'clock indefinitely.

Finally Mr. Meredith, Q. C., City Solicitor, submitted the by-law, which was read three times and passed.

The Council then adjourned for one week.

City Council Proceedings.

Council Chamber 30th July, 1877.

The Board of Aldermen met at the usual time and place His Worship Mayor Pritchard in the chair and the following members present:—Aldermen Sutherland, Campbell, Fitzgerald, Thompson, Jones, Regan, Hiscox, Ross, McNab, Brown, Rapley, Egan, Partridge, sr., Gray, Partridge, jr.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Communications were read—

From the Minister of Militia, with copy of report of privy council granting permission to erect High School on park property. To be handed to the City Solicitor.

From Mrs. E. Hopkins, on behalf of the W. C. A., for a grant in aid of the Soup Kitchen. Referred to Hospital and Relief Committee.

From Mr. Cowan, asking for remission of taxes on Protestant Orphans' Home. Referred to Finance and Assessment Committtee.

From Rev. W. H. Halpin, praying for remission of income tax. Referred to Finance and Assessment Committee.

From T. & J. Thompson, and others, for a brick sewer on Talbot street, between Maple and Dundas. Referred to Board of Works.

From John Bonsor, relative to broken front and the opening of a small roadway. Referred to Board of Works.

There were no reports from any committee.

A by-law to provide for the fencing of lumber yards was read a first, second and third time and finally passed.

A by-law for restraining and regulating the running at large of certain animals in the city of London, was then read a first time.

Ald. Rapley moved, seconded by Ald. Partridge, sr., that the reading of the by-law be deferred.

Moved in amendment by Ald. McNab, seconded by Ald. Regan, that the by-law now pass its first reading.

The amendment carried.

Considerable old-time discussion took place on the second reading.

Ald. Brown moved, seconded by Ald. Fitzgerald, that the eastern boundary south of Dundas street be Adelaide street. Carried.

Moved by Ald. Egan, seconded by Ald. Ross, that the northern boundary be Pall Mall street. Lost.

The by-law was then read a second time.

On the third reading,

Ald. Egan moved, seconded by Ald. Hiscox, that the northern boundary be Oxford street. Lost.

Ald. Rapley moved, seconded by Ald. Partridge, sr., that the third reading of the by-law be deferred for one week. Lost.

The by-law was then read a third time, and finally passed.

Yeas — Campbell, Gray, Fitzgerald, Thompson, Jones, Regan, McNab, Brown.—8.

Nays— Hiscox, Ross, Rapley, Egan, Partridge, sr., Partridge, jr.—6.

Council adjourned for three weeks.

City Council Proceedings.

Council Chamber 13th Aug., 1877.

A special meeting of the Board of Aldermen was held at the usual time and place. His Worship Mayor Pritchard in the chair and the following members present: Aldermen Campbell, Gray, Murray, Fitzgerald, Thomson, Regan, Hiscox, McNab, Browne, Rapley, Christie, Williams, Boyd, Egan.

A by-law giving the owners of lumber yards within the city limits one month's time in which to fence the same, according to a resolution of the Council, was read three times and passed.

Ald. Egan, Chairman of the Fire, Water and Gas Committee, explained the object of the meeting—for the purpose of considering the propriety of petitioning the Ontario Legislature to amend the Act authorising the construction of waterworks by the city so as to exclude persons who do not desire to use the water from payment thereof.

The Council went into Committee of the Whole, the Mayor in the chair.

Moved by Ald. Egan, seconded by Ald. Gray—Resolved, that the City Solicitor be instructed to give the necessary notice for an application to the Legislature of Ontario at its next session to amend the London Waterworks Act so as to provide that in no case shall water rates be charged, except to consumers, and that public notice be given to the electors that the said by-law is submitted on the understanding that the said amendment is to be obtained.

Moved in amendment by Ald. Thompson, seconded by Ald. Williams, that the Waterworks By-law be withdrawn for six months, or until the legislation desired could be secured.

Ald. Christie moved, seconded by Ald. Boyd, that the by-law be withdrawn, and that the Committee on Fire, Water and Gas be instructed to prepare a scheme which will include domestic as well as fire and manufacturing purposes.

Ald. Egan's motion carried—8 to 4.

On a motion to adopt the resolution from Committee of the Whole,

Ald. Thomson moved his amendment again; but on a point of order raised by Ald. Fitzgerald, His Worship ruled the amendment out of order.

The report of the Committee was then adopted.

Ald. Egan stated that the gas contract had expired, and, on the advice of the City Solicitor, the contract would be continued as at present until final arrangements were made. He moved accordingly, and it was carried unanimously.

Some enquiries regarding the pound were made by Ald. Christie, after which the Council adjourned.

City Council Proceedings.

Council Chamber, 20th Aug, 1877.

The Board of Aldermen met in the Council Chamber last night at the usual hour, His Worship Mayor Pritchard in the ch ir, and the following members present: Aldermen Sutherland, Gray, Fitzgerald, Murray, Regan, Jones, Hiscox, Ross, McNab, Brown, Rapley, Boyd, Christie, Egan, Thompson, Williams, Campbell.

The minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Communications were read—

From W. R. Vining, enclosing resolution of public meeting in No. 6 Ward with regard to withdrawal of water works by-law. Laid over.

From E. McGarvey, complaining of damage to cellars from defective drainage. Referred to Board of Works.

From C. W. Kent, asking permission to repair a frame dwelling within the fire limits. Granted.

From Geo. Quinton, asking for a half-year's shooting gallery license. Referred to License Committee.

From James Rogers and over 200 others, asking the Council to withdraw the water works by-law and substitute the Coombs' scheme instead. Laid over.

From H. Wallace and 48 others, petitioning for a drain in the southern part of No. 5 Ward. Referred to Board of Works.

Accounts were read from *Free Press* Printing Co., $181.16, printing and advertising, and M. D. Dawson & Co., $119.40, do., and referred to the Finance Committee.

By-laws establishing pounds, one in the north and another in the south, were read three times and passed.

A motion by Ald. Christie, seconded by Ald. Boyd, that they take effect two months hence, was lost.

For the by-law—

Yeas- Sutherland, Campbell, Gray, Murray, Fitzgerald, Jones, Regan, Hiscox, McNab, Browne—10.

Nays—Thompson, Ross, Rapley, Christie, Boyd, Williams, Egan -7.

The communication of Mr. W. R. Vining and the petition of James Rogers and others, relating to water works by-law, were then taken up.

On motion the matter was considered in Committee of the Whole, the Mayor in the chair.

Moved by Ald. Williams, seconded by Ald. Thompson, that the prayer of the petition be granted.

On motion, Messrs. E. W. Hyman, I. Waterman, Reeve of London East, Hon. John Carling, J. B. Laing, John Marshall, James Cowan, Col. Walker, J. Danks and J. B. Boyle addressed the Council in reference to the by-law.

Ald. Williams motion carried.

The committee then arose and reported the withdrawal of the by-law.

At this stage a communication was read from B. C. Marshall, Secretary of the Bench Show, asking for the use of the City Hall, on payment of all expenses, three days during the Provincial Fair week, but before any action could be taken thereon, the Mayor left the chair and the Council adjourned for want of a quorum.

City Council Proceedings.

Council Chamber, 27th Aug., 1877.

The Board of Aldermen met at the usual time and place, His Worship Mayor Pritchard in the chair, and the following members present: Aldermen Sutherland, Campbell, Gray, McNab, Fitzgerald, Murray, Jones Regan, Hiscox, Bayley, Christie, Egan, Boyd, Thompson, Brown, Partridge, jr.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

A petition was read from A. G. Fenwick and 90 others, asking that the site of the northern pound be changed from the corner of Richmond and Mill streets to the N. W. corner of the Exhibition Grounds, across the creek. Laid over.

A communication was read from Ann Hibbert, relating to defective drainage near Horton street. Referred to Board of Works.

Ald. Hiscox, Chairman, submitted the following report from the Hospital and Relief Committee:

1st. Your committee recommend the payment of the quarterly accounts, amounting to $462.02.

2nd. Your committee would recommend the adoption of the Hospital Stewart's report for July, also the Resident Surgeon's for surgical work done during the last quarter.

3rd. Your committee would recommend the adoption of the Relief Inspector's report for July, expending $62 01 cash, 2½ cords wood to the poor of the following wards and distributed as follows:

	Cash.	Wood.
Ward No. 1.....	2.00	½ cord
" " 2.....	14.00	½ "
" " 3.....	14 00	1½ "
" " 4.....	1.75	
" " 5.....	6.01	
" " 6.....	18..9	½ "
" " 7.....	6 00	
	$6.201	2½ cords.

Ald Hiscox explained that the above was a minority report; he also reported progress in the case of Miss Hopkins, relative to Soup Kitchen, and in the matter of the resignation of the resident surgeon.

On motion, the report was received and adopted.

The following accounts were examined and found correct, and recommend the same to the Finance Committee for payment: Pay sheet for firemen for July, $247 65; hay, straw, oats, etc., $42 08—$289 73; City Gas Co's account for the quarter ending July, 1877, $1,680.59.

Your Committee beg leave to report progress on water works.

Report adopted.

There being no report from the Board of Works, and important matters requiring attention, Ald. Murray suggested another chairman be appointed *pro tem.* The Committee had not met for some time.

Ald. Campbell, Chairman, submitted the following report from the Finance Committee:

The Finance Committee beg to report that they have examined the following accounts, and recommend the same to be paid. Relief account, railroad passes, $71 45; City Hall, $12 86; Fire Department, $289 73; Board of Health $7.50 Police Station, $12 50; Incidental expenses, $2; Gas Co. account, $1,680 59; M. D. Dawson's account, $119.40; *Free Press* account, $117.27; total, $2,312.80.

The Auditors' report, which was also submitted, was ordered to be printed.

RECEIPTS.

Amount reported last qr ....$		$ 58,695 21
London & Pt Stanly RR Co } Rent from G. W R. Road C }	4440 10	
Bagatelle tables	190 00	
Fish market	6 00	
Auctioneer license.....	40 00	
Ordnance buildidgs, sale of buildings	1015 61	
Weigh scales from Winnett	139 62	
Livery stables.....	120 00	
Market stalls.....	202 50	
Temperance license.....	10 00	
Cab license.....	95 00	
School trustees, rents, etc ..	212 91	
Buss license.....	20 00	
Exhibitions and concerts....	135 00	
Tavern & shop license from Government Inspector..	296 03	
Fees & fines from City Clerk	799 85	
John Blair, collector '76, 17138		
John Taylor " " 21619	38757 00	
Market rent.....	699 60	
Wood Market.....	33 77	
Billiard tables.....	135 00	47,225 42
		$105,920 63
Balance.....		58,223 18
		$164,144 61

DISBURSMENTS.

Amount reported last qr.....$		$ 79,915 15
Election expenses.....	8 00	
Registry office	14 50	
Advertising, Printing and Stationery.....	437 87	
Water works.....	130 00	
Interest on Government debentures.....	12283 40	
Police department.....	3412 22	
Board of Works	3910 21	
Ordnance lands expended	286 87	
City Hall expenses.....	483 94	
Park committee	163 17	
Bank of Commerce on account of 1876	23291 03	
School Trustees.....	7553 62	
General improvements.....	892 07	
Fire department	1501 61	
Salaries account	2767 50	
Board of Health	12 60	
Watering streets.....	710 00	
Insurance account.....	310 50	
Incidental expenses.....	34 35	
Provincial exhibition buildings	1758 82	
Hospital account.....	1616 31	
Relief to poor.....	852 85	
Gas Co. account.....	1702 05	
Interest account	15431 97	
Relief to St. John fire.....	5000 00	
Wellington street bridge....	109 00	84229 46
		$164,144 61

Audited and found correct.

A. G. SMYTH, } Auditors.
B. SCHRAM, }

On motion the report was received and adopted.

A by-law to authorise the sale and conveyance of certain broken fronts on the River Thames, between Bathurst and Horton streets, to Thomas Pritchard, was read a first, second and third time and finally passed.

A by-law to change the site of the northern pound to the N. W. corner of the Exhibition Grounds was read a first time.

Ald. Fitzgerald moved, seconded by Ald. Thompson, that the pound be 100 feet square.

Ald. Chistie moved in amendment seconded by Ald Rapley, that the by-law be referred back to the special pound Committee.

The original motion carried.

The by-law then passed its first and second reading.

On third reading—

Ald. Christie moved, seconded by Ald. Thompson the three months hoist. Lost.

The by-law was then read a third time and finally passed.

Yeas—Sutherland, Gray, Campbell, Fitzgerald, Murray, Jones, Regan, McNab, Brown.

Nays—Thompson, Rapley, Christie, Boyd, Egan.

Moved by Ald. Gray, seconded by Ald. Thompson, "That while the members of this Council fully realize their responsibility as the representatives of the people's interests and the guardians of their rights, and invite a thorough examination into their actions, and freely admit the right of the Press to submit all their doings to a fair and just criticism; and though at times it may seem severe, if made in a proper way no fault ought to be found. But when we read in the *Daily Advertiser* of the 22nd instant an article traducing the whole Council, in which the writer, with his characteristic meanness, fairly outrivals himself in deliberate falsehood and low, scurrilous abuse—Resolved, that this Council take this first opportunity to maintain its dignity as a corporation, and assert their individuality and independence as public men and as citizens, and resent the false aspersions and mean insinuations levelled at the Council generally and the Chairman of the Fire, Water and Gas Committee in particular, and that we demand a full and ample apology from the writer; and if this reasonable demand be not complied with, the Editor of said *Daily Advertiser* will forfeit the confidence of this

Council, as a public journalist and as an honorable man, and that we cease to have any communication with him in a business capacity, or otherwise as a corporation."

The motion was then carried by a standing vote, the only member keeping his seat being Ald. Murray.

The petition of Mr. B. C. Marshall, asking for the use of the City Hall for a Bench Show, during Provincial Fair week, was, on motion, referred to the Exhibition Committee.

Ald. Campbell alluded to the fact that the School Board was not carrying out one of the articles of the agreement provided by the Government for the location of the new High School.

Ald. Campbell moved, seconded by Ald. Rapley, that this Council approve of the course taken by His Worship the Mayor in remonstrating with the Board of Education, when it appeared to him that they were deviating from the Order in Council; and that he be requested to see that the conditions of said Order be fully complied with, or, if necessary, to render every assistance in his power to get the conditions made more acceptable to the Board of Education. Carried.

The Board then adjourned for two weeks.

City Council Proceedings.

Council Chamber, 10th Sept, 1877.

The Board of Aldermen met at the usual time and place, His Worship Mayor Pritchard in the chair, and the following members present: Aldermen Campbell, Gray, Thompson, Murray, Jones, Regan, Hiscox, Minhinnick, Brown, Rapley, Christie, Partridge, sr., Boyd, Ross, Egan, Sutherland, McNab, Partridge, jr.

The minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

COMMUNICATIONS.

Communications were read—

From John Brown, City Treasurer, asking for leave of absence for about ten days. Granted.

From Jas. Glen and others, for permission to erect a frame building (for dog show) on Richmond street. Granted.

From W. H. Bartram, claiming damage for Clark Fisher for stall seizure for non-payment of rent. Referred to Market Committee.

From Conklin & Moore, for cab stand to be removed from front of Tecumseh House. Referred to License Committee.

From Mrs. Fitzgerald, on behalf of W. C. A., for free use of hall on 19th. Granted.

From Wm. L. Brown, for use of hall on the 27th for Grangers' meeting. Referred to Exhibition Committee with power.

From Mrs. Ross, for remission of taxes Referred to Finance and Assessment Committee.

Accounts from E. A. Taylor & Co., $17.89, stationery, and J. Cameron & Co., $338.06, printing, etc., were referred to Finance and Assessment Committee.

From the Minister of Militia, with copy of Order in Council relative to High School site. Received and filed.

From City Solicitor (1) relative to sewer on Talbot street; also (2) notifying the issuance of a writ for $1,000 against the city by Chas. Stewart. Referred (1) to Board of Works and (2) to Finance Committee.

From J. H. Belton and others, asking that the lumber yard by-law be so changed as to allow the erection of 6-foot fences instead of 8-foot ones. Granted

From Charlotte Brooks and 132 others, asking that the pound by-law in the southern part of the city be suspended for a few weeks. Referred to Pound Committee; in the meantime the by-law to remain in force.

FINANCE.

Ald. Campbell, chairman, reported as follows from the Finance Committee:

Your Committee beg to report that they have examined the petition of Mr. John Coote, and would recommend that a reduction of $50 be made on the taxes for 1876.

Your Committee would also report that having made a careful examination into your receipts and expenditure, are prepared now to submit the annual estimates for 1877 as follows:

Annual Estimates of the Receipts and Disbursements of the City of London for the Year 1877, to be Provided for by Taxation:—

ASSETS.

Pedlars' Licenses	$	18
Tavern and Stores, from Government Inspector, say		7,000
Bagatelle Licenses		200
Auctioneers' "		200
Cab "		125
Carters' "		[illegible]
Livery Stable "		[illegible]
Temperance "		200
Billiard Table "		260
Fish Market		168
Butcher Stalls, Basements, etc.		1,300
Wood Market		560
Weigh Scales		890
Market Rent		4,800
Exhibitions and Concerts		600
Fees and Fines from Police Court		1,800
Fees from City Clerk		250
Absentee Lands, say		1,000
Hospital Patients, including County and Savings Bank Fund		4,000
Hospital Grant from Government		2,581
House and Store Rents:—		

Hyman	$ 800	
Griffin	300	
Tracey	450	
		1,550
Broken Front Lots, including $600 from Becher		1,000
Government Portion of Clergy Fund, say		783
Sale of Ordnance Buildings		1,000
L. & P. S. R. R. Rent from G. W. R. Co		17,760
Drain Tax		2,400
Dog Tax		400
Commutation of Statute Labor		3 000
Sale of Real Estate, including Ross Farm		5,568
		$ 60,077
17 Mills on the $ on $8,777,595		149,219
		$209,296

LIABILITIES.

Amount expended in 1876 over estimates		$ 5,000
City Hall, Fuel and Repairs	$ 800	
Relief to Poor	2 000	
Hospital Expenses	8.000	
Advertising, Printing and Stationery	1,200	
Incidental Expenses	500	
Park Committee Improvements	1,000	
Board of Health	200	
Insurance Account	700	
Election Expenses	300	
Board of Works	12,000	
General Improvements	5,500	
Ordnance Buildings	1,000	
		33,200
Salaries:—		
A. S. Abbott, City Clerk	$ 1,200	
John Brown, Treasurer	1,100	
Wm. Robinson, Engineer	800	
T. Winnett, Weigh Clerk	800	
W. Owen, Commissioner	700	
D Hughes, Relief Officer	500	
F. Beltz, Clerk Wood Market	300	
R. Mawhinney, Janitor City Hall	500	
Two Assessors	1.000	
Two Collectors, say	2,200	
Two Auditors	200	
City Solicitor, say	400	
B. Higgins, License Inspector	200	
Mayor's Office Expenses	600	
J. Keary, Assistant, Clerk's Office	200	
		10,750
Police Department:—		
L. Lawrason, P.M	$ 1,400	
R. Wigmore, Chief of Police	1,000	
Sergt. Baskerville	720	
Sergt. Crawford	600	
Two Detectives, each $562.50	1,105	
Fifteen Police	7,483	
Police Clothing	900	
Police Station Repairs	400	
		13,608
Fire Department:—		
Salaries for Fifteen Men	$ 3,950	
D. Morgan, Janitor	300	
Horse Feed, Shoeing, Harness, Repairs, Tools	385	
Fuel, Oils, Cleaning, Materials	200	
Repairs to Apparatus and Station	150	
Washing and Mending Bed-Clothing	40	
Battery, Lime and Sundries	120	
Horses and Hose	525	
		5,500
Gas Co. Street Lamps, &c		6,800
County of Middlesex, use of Jail and Jury Expenses		6,450
Amount Granted to St. John Sufferers		5,000

Interest Account:—		
Debentures, 7 per cent. int. on $564,720	$39,530	
Debentures, 6 per cent. int. on $100,000, London, Huron & Bruce	6,000	
Debentures, 5 per cent. int. on $486,068 (Government), in stg. 5 per cent., equal to in currcies 6 per cent	29,164	
Interest to Bank, say	5,000	
		79,694
2 per cent. of Sinking Fund on $564,720 deb	$11,294	
5 per cent. of Sinking Fund on $100,000, London, Huron & Bruce Deb	5,000	
		16,294
School Trustees		25,000
Total Disbursements		$207,296
Uncollected Taxes on Roll, 1877, say		2,000
		$209,296

And are happy to say that by careful management they will be enabled to reduce the rate of taxation to 17 mills on the dollar.

On motion the first clause of the report was adopted. The financial statement was laid over for a week, in the meantime 100 copies to be printed.

FIRE, WATER AND GAS.

Ald. Egan verbally reported progress in the matter of water works. He hoped to submit a scheme at next meeting.

LICENSE.

Ald. Brown, Chairman, submitted the following report from the License Committee:

Your committee beg leave to report that they have considered the request of Mr. Quinton for a license for a shooting gallery by paying a six months' license, recommend the same to be granted.

Received and adopted.

HOSPITAL AND RELIEF.

Ald. Hiscox, Chairman, submitted the following report from the Hospital and Relief Committee:

1. That the petition of Mrs. Hopkins, asking $30 to defray the expenses of the soup kitchen during the past winter, be granted.

2. That the tenders of the following persons, for Hospital supplies for one year, from 1st Sept., be accepted, they being the lowest, namely: Groceries, wines and liquors, Tytler & Rose; Milk, Mrs. Woodward, Meat, Charles Taylor; Drugs and medicines, C. McCallum; Bread, John Ranahan; Interments, Hinton & Portwood.

3. That in the matter of appointing a Hospital Surgeon your Committee report progress.

Received and adopted.

BOARD OF WORKS.

Ald. Partridge, sr., reported as follows from the Board of Works:

"Ald. Ross brought the matter of setting back the sidewalk North side of Dundas street, between Wellington and Waterloo streets. On motion that the prayer of the petition be granted, lost."

Received and adopted.

RESOLUTION OF CONDOLENCE.

Moved by Ald. Hiscox, seconded by Ald. Christie, that this Council has learned with deep regret of the sad affliction that has befallen the family of Alderman Skinner in the death of a beloved daughter, and we desire to express our heartfelt sympathy with our worthy colleague and his family in their sad affliction, and that a copy of this resolution be transmitted to Ald. Skinner, and that this Council do now adjourn. Carried.

The Council then adjourned.

City Council Proceedings.

Council Chamber, 17th Sept, 1877.

The Board of Aldermen met in the Council Chamber at the usual hour. His Worship Mayor Pritchard in the chair, and the following members present: Aldermen Sutherland, Campbell, Fitzgerald, Thompson, Murray, Jones, Skinner, Re an, Hiscox, McNab, Brown, R pley, Christie, Egan, Boyd. Partridge, sr., Partridge, jr., Ross.

The minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Communications were read—

From O. J. Bridle, asking leave to move frame building within fire limits. Referred to Fire, Water and Gas Committee.

From Dr. Stephen Mummery, for grant towards "London British Canadian Museum." Referred to Exhibition Committee.

From the County Treasurer, enclosing certified accounts of amounts due by city to county for jury expenses; also statement of hospital quarterly accounts. Referred to Finance and Hospital Committees.

Ald. Egan, chairman, reported from the Fire, Water and Gas Committee, "that the tender of James Sloan, for coal, be accepted, being the lowest." Received and adopted.

Ald. Hiscox, chairman, reported as follows from the Hospital and Relief Committee:

That having passed the following accounts would recommend them to the Finance Committee for payment, as follows: Dr. Wilson, balance of salary, $66 67; Wolf, dry goods, $8 94; Tytler & Ross, groceries, $127 87; McCallum, medicine, $22.66; Sinclair & Co., meat, $51 99; Grant, servants' wages, $47; Smith, bread, $36.19; Mrs. Woodward, milk, $22.88; Shafter, 2 universal splints, $50. Total, $434 20.

Your Committee would recommend that the medical staff be abolished, and that the medical department be presided over by one medical doctor, to be appointed by this Council.

Your Committee would recommend that Dr. Payne be appointed, at a salary of $600 per year, and that a by-law be prepared confirming the appointment and stipulating his duties as Hospital Surgeon, and the consulting staff be retained to assist the Hospital Surgeon.

On motion the report was considered in committee of the whole, Ald. Ross in the chair.

Clause 1 passed without discussion.

Clause 2 read.

Moved in amendment by Ald. Brown, seconded by Ald Ripley, that after hearing the views of a number of the members of this Council relative to Hospital affairs, the report of Committee referring to the dismissals of the visiting staff and appointing Dr. Payne as Hospital Surgeon be referred back to the Committee, and that they be requested to advertise for a resident surgeon instead.

Moved in further amendment by Ald. Sutherland, seconded by Ald. Fitzgerald, that a resident surgeon be appointed for the Hospital, and that all the legally recognized medical gentlemen in the city be and are hereby recognized by this Council as a consulting staff.

The chairmane ruled the last amendment out of order.

Ald. Brown's motion passed.

Ald. Campbell, chairman, reported as follows from the Finance Committee

Your Finance Committee beg to report that they were waited upon by a deputation from the County Council, consisting of the Warden, Messrs. Armstrong, Lane, Currie and McKellar,

when a communication from Mr. Langmuir, Prison Inspector, was read, requesting some additional alterations and improvements to be made on the jail, besides those contained in the specifications sent to the Government for their approval, and would respectfully recommend that this Council agree to said additional work—sum not to exceed $1,000.

Received and adopted.

A by-law to amend by-law to provide for fencing of lumber yards was read a first, second and third time and passed.

The annual estimates of receipts and liabilities of the city for 1877, deferred from last meeting, were, on motion of Ald. Fitzgerald, seconded by Ald. Ross, adopted.

Ald. Fitzgerald submitted petition for sewer on Talbot street, from Dundas to Maple, the city to pay one-third of cost, and petitioners two-thirds. He moved, seconded by Ald. Murray, that the prayer be granted.

Ald. Fitzgerald said the engineer had estimated the cost of construction at $3,564.

Ald. Campbell moved in amendment, seconded by Ald. Skinner, that inasmuch as certain parts of the city require sewerage, and as petitions have been presented from some localities for that purpose, be it therefore resolved, that this Council consider the matter of sewage, and take the proper steps to construct them where urgently required.

Moved in amendment to the amendment by Ald. Browne, seconded by Ald. Minhinnick, that the petition and estimate now in the hands of Ald, Fitzgerald instead of the Board of Works, be not acted on until the Board of Works report thereon.

Ald. Campbell's amendment carried.

By Ald. Sutherland — Gave notice that he would at next meeting move that a physician be appointed to fill the vacancy in the City Hospital; and that all the legally constituted medical gentlemen in the city be and are hereby recognized by this Council as Consulting Staff; and that the present by-law be repealed; and that a by-law be framed in accordance with this resolution.

The Board adjourned for two weeks.

City Council Proceedings.

Council Chamber, Oct. 1st, 1877.

The Board of Aldermen met in the Council Chamber at the usual hour, His Worship Mayor Pritchard in the chair and the following members present: Aldermen Sutherland, Campbell, Gray, Murray, Jones, Ross, Skinner, Hiscox, McNab, Minhinnick, Ripley, Christie, Boyd, Partridge, sr., Partridge, jr., Williams, Regan, Fitzgerald, Thompson, Egan.

The minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Communications were read—

From Rev Doctor Sanderson, on behalf of Wellington Street M. Church congregation, asking that a dangerous and unsightly chasm in front of said church be filled up. Referred to Board of Works.

An account of $45 against fire department, from Gutta Percha and Rubber Mfg Co. of New York. Referred to Fire, Water and Gas Committee.

From John N. Kennedy and about 300 others, in reference to blocking up of streets by G. W. R. cars. Referred to Railway Committee.

From Joseph Lawrence and 40 others, asking that a gas lamp be placed on the corner of Maitland and Piccadilly street. Referred to Fire, Water and Gas Committee.

Ald. Jones (in the absence of Ald. Brown, Chairman,) submitted the following from the License Committee:

We, the License Committee, to whom was referred the petition of the proprietors of the Tecumseh House, for the removal of the cabs from in front of their premises, do recommend that the petition be granted. Also, that provision be made for four cab stands on Queen's Avenue, opposite Bank of British North America, and eastward to White's hotel in said avenue

Report adopted.

Ald. Hiscox verbally reported progress in the matter of appointing a resident surgeon.

Ald Campbell moved, seconded by Ald. Regan, That the Exhibition Committee be instructed to take immediate action relative to taking proper care of all loose property and buildings on the exhibition grounds, by the appointment of a caretaker on the most favorable terms.

Moved by Ald. Jones, seconded by Ald. Christie, That this Council having heard, with extreme regret, that owing to certain charges preferred against him, the late Chief of Police, R. Wigmore, deemed it advisable to tender his resignation as Chief of the police force of this city, Resolved, that while this Council do not wish to dictate to the Police Commissioners in the matter, still we would respectfully request that honorable body to have him reinstated to his former position.

The motion carried—15 to 4.

Yeas — Sutherland, Campbell, Gray, Thompson, Jones, Skinner, Regan, Ross, Minhinnick, Christie, Rapley, Williams, Boyd, Egan, Partridge, jr.

Nays— Fitzgerald, Murray, Hiscox, Partridge, sr.

The Board then adjourned for two weeks.

City Council Proceedings.

Council Chamber, Oct. 15th, 1877.

The Board of Aldermen met in the Council Chamber at the usual hour. His Worship Mayor Pritchard in the chair, and the following members present: Aldermen Sutherland, Campbell, Gray, Thompson, Jones, Skinner, Regan, Hiscox, Ross, Minhinnick, Brown, Rapley, Chrisie, Williams, Boyd, Egan, Partridge, sr., Partridge, jr., Fitzgerald, Murray, McNab.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Communications were read—

From Widow Murray, asking extension of time for paying taxes. Referred to Finance and Assessment Committee.

From Rev J. F. Edmunds, on behalf of Grace M. E. Church, asking for use of hall on Thursday evening, 18th, for lecture by Mr. Widdows. On motion, the request was refused.

From Dr. Sippi for permission to erect frame wood-shed within fire limits. Granted.

From Mrs. Henry, for leave to erect frame wood shed inside limits. Granted.

From F. A. Thompson, for remission of billiard license. Referred to License Committee, with power.

Accounts from W. Williams, ($8 50, posting bills) and HERALD office ($59.76, printing and advertising), were referred to Finance and Assessment Committee.

From Bryanton & Bawden, and Hinton & Portwood, for leave to erect overhead sign boards in front of their respective stores. Referred to Fire, Water and Gas Committee.

From Thos. Green, on behalf of directors, for remission of taxes on Mechanics' Institute property, Dundas street. Referred to Finance and Assessment Committee with power.

From H. C. Smith, for free use of hall on Thursday evening, for entertainment in aid of Atlantic Base Ball Club. Granted.

Ald. Jones, Chairman, subbmitted the following report from the Market Committee :

1st.—In reply to W. H. Bartram, on behalf of his client, Clark Fisher, we recommend that the City Clerk notify Mr. Bartram that the meat was seized by the Health Inspector on the complaint of the butchers of Covent Garden Market

2nd.—We would also recommend that the City Engineer be instructed to have the basement windows of Covent Garden Market repaired, said repairs not to exceed $40.

Received and adopted.

Ald Partridge, jr., Chairman, submitted the following report from the Exhibition Committee :

In compliance with the instructions of this Council, your Committee have appointed J. G Scragg caretaker of the Exhibition Grounds.

Your Committee would further recommend that the said J. G. Scragg receive the sum of fifteen dollars per month as a remuneration for his service as such caretaker.

In the matter of the communication of Mr. Mummery your Committee report progress.

Received and adopted.

Ald. Hiscox, Chairman, submitted the following report from the Hospital and Relief Committee :

1st. That having examined the following accounts for September, recommend them to the Finance Committee for payment: Tytler & Rose, groceries, $204 43; Mrs. Woodward, milk, $25; Ranahan, bread, $30 05; Taylor, meat, $53 64; Graut's servants' wages, $47; cab hire, $1: Churcher & Co., soap, $12; Brock, hay, $12 75; Walker & Sons, dry goods, $14 93; Priddis Bros., dry goods, $3 27; Reid & Co., crockery, $28.45; Cowan, hardware, $9 08; R. Wallace, dry goods, $27; John Millar, coal oil, &c., $16.45; H. E Nelles, $10 55; Philip Cook, shoes, $5; Hinton & Portwood, burying dead, $34.10; McCallum, medicine, $27.64. Total, $462.64.

2nd. The monthly report of the Hospital Steward was examined by your com-